Mayor's Council on Disability Chattanooga, Tennessee

Meeting Minutes July 7, 2006

Sandra Booher, Chairperson Bea Lyons, Vice Chair Katye Jones, Secretary Jill Hindman, Parliamentarian

Board Members:
Dr. Rick Rader
Kim Williams
Jim Queen
Mary Ann Schenk
Kathy Purnell
Gina Turley

Jennifer Nichols Virginia Piper Karl Epperson Annie Ruth Palmer

Matt Lea, Liaison Assistant to Mayor for Special Projects

Michelle Michaud, Liaison Communications Director Mayor's Office

Meeting called to order by Chairperson, Sandra Booher

In attendance:

Matt Lea Philip Stevens Katye Jones Dr. Rick Rader Sandy Booher Bea Lyons Gina Turley Jim Queen Virginia Piper Karl Epperson Jill Hindman

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On invitation by Karl Epperson, Chief Wendell Rowe with Fire Dept., Deputy Chief Randy Parker, Fire Marshal Craig Haney, information specialist were visiting to hear about concerns and issues the Council may have.

Disaster planning and current database of disabled citizens was discussed as well as text messaging for 911. Transportation needs were discussed as well.

Molly Sasse Vice President for development at Siskin Hospital made a presentation of the Siskin Hospital Fitness Center, designed primarily for adults with disabilities.

Old Business:

GO!Fest. Back on track now that Riverbend is over.

ADA Celebration August9, 2006. Chattanooga Choo Choo 10:00 – 1:00 Rob Ellis is our "webmaster" and will see that this is advertised on the WEB.

Bea Lyons does a tremendous job responding to the letters coming in on the website.

STIGMA FREE project:

Dr. Rader – Stigma, the initiative for the defeat of Stigma, a national initiative to defeat stigma. Deals with eliminating stigma in health care, bullying and hate crimes that are tied to stigmas, etc. Chattanooga and Chicago are the prototype cities for this project.

Next meeting – September 11, 2006 3:00 pm

Meeting adjourned.

Katye Jones, Secretary

(correction to minutes – Aug. 7, 2006 meeting)